SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

Mount Auburn Cemetery.

JANUARY 1, 1894.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES

OF THE

Cemetery of Mount Auburn,

FOR 1893,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS

OF THE

TREASURER AND SUPERINTENDENT.

SIXTY-SECOND YEAR.

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T. QUINCY BROWNE	" "	1894
HENRY A. RICE	" "	1895
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J. MONTGOMERY SEARS	" "	1896
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ISRAEL M. SPELMAN	" "	1898
JEROME JONES	" "	1898
WILLIAM S. EATON	" "	1899
HENRY S. SHAW	" "	1899

President.

ISRAEL M. SPELMAN.

Treasurer.

H. B. MACKINTOSH.

Secretary.

L. G. FARMER.

Superintendent.

J. W. LOVERING.

Office of the Corporation.

5 TREMONT STREET,

BOSTON.

Office of the Superintendent.

AT THE CEMETERY.

P. O. ADDRESS, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Orders for work on lots may be given at the office of the Superintendent or sent by mail to his address.

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

The Trustees herewith submit to the proprietors their sixty-second annual report together with the reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer.

A moderately prosperous year has left our funds in the following condition : —

The Repair Fund which, it should always be borne in mind, is not to be regarded as an asset of the corporation, as its full amount is estimated to be balanced by the obligations which have been assumed for the perpetual care of lots and monuments, has increased $35,926.70, and now amounts to $771,684.38.

The Permanent Fund has gained $10,459.96, and now amounts to $330,880.76.

The General Fund shows increase of $8,046.38, and now amounts to $100,382.

Grading for new lots has been re-commenced on Birch and Larch Avenues. Hitherto we have been obliged to leave some portions of our grounds in an unfinished condition, on account of the material which they supplied for the repair of our paths and roads, but the supply suitable for such purposes is at last exhausted, and there is no good reason why the final grading should not be completed as fast as it can be economically and judiciously done.

Compelled to look, in future, to outside sources for road and path material, the Trustees early in the season came to the conclusion that a connection with the tracks of the Fitchburg Railroad Company was very desirable. With this object in view, they purchased a lot containing about forty-four thousand square feet, lying between our

western boundary and the lands of that company. Upon this lot we have had a side track constructed, connecting with the Fitchburg tracks, and from cars set off on this side track we have been receiving on our own premises, during the latter part of the present season, crushed stone and other material ready for distribution through the cemetery. The whole outlay, track included, has been about twenty-four hundred dollars, and we feel satisfied that the annual saving in our expenses will fully justify it. This lot, known as the Bird lot, appears this year for the first time, in the Treasurer's report, page 9, under the general heading of "Other Property of the Corporation." It is held on the same tenure as our other property outside the limits of the cemetery, and is not intended for interments.

It is gratifying to be able to state that our new pumping arrangements have worked successfully during the past season, and that the supply of water has been ample for our present needs.

The Superintendent's report shows the removal of sixteen iron fences and seven granite curbs during the past year, while no new ones have been erected or put in. This process of removal is gradual but continuous, and indicates the popularity of the landscape lawn. Every removal hastens the time when the older part of the cemetery will no longer be distinguished by its poor grading and useless but expensive enclosures. Attention is again called to the offer of the Trustees, on page 13 of this report, for the removal of single-chamber tombs with entrances above ground.

For the Trustees,

ISRAEL M. SPELMAN,
President.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn:

GENTLEMEN, — I have the honor to present herewith the Annual Report of the Superintendent for the year ending Dec. 31, 1893.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Number of new lots graded and bounded with granite posts	36
" old lots improved by being graded and sodded	48
" old lots bounded with granite posts	8
" lots enclosed with granite	0
" lots enclosed with iron fence	0
" lots furnished with granite or iron numbers	40
" tombs removed	1
" headstones erected	331
" monuments erected	54
" iron fences removed	16
" granite curbings removed	7

INTERMENT RECORD.

Total number of interments, as per last report		29,285
Number of original interments for the year ending Dec. 31, 1893	509	
" removals from other cemeteries	43	
Total number of interments for the year		552
" " " in cemetery		29,837
Of the above there were deposited in the receiving tomb	29	
" " " interments in public lots	41	

THE REMOVALS WITHIN AND FROM THE CEMETERY WERE AS FOLLOWS:

To public lots	4	
To private lots	37	
Total removals within the cemetery		41
" " from the cemetery		18
Total number of removals		59

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. LOVERING,

Superintendent of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn.

MOUNT AUBURN, Dec. 31, 1893.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance from preceding year			$29,587.03
He has received from sundry parties, —			
For sale of lots	$15,606.50		
" deposits in receiving tombs	855.00		
		$16,461.50	
For deeds, transfers, etc.		142.00	
" labor and material on lots		55,148.50	
Interest on loan		3,009.17	
From Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, for income on Permanent Fund		8,000.00	
From Massachusetts Horticultural Society, for one quarter part of expenditures, as follows: —			
Grading Birch to Eagle and Cherry avenues	$1,030.69		
" Larch avenue, near Maple	200.63		
One quarter of	$1,231.32	307.83	
			83,069.00
			$112,656.03

FOR THE 62ND YEAR, 1893.

EXPENDITURES.

He has paid sundry parties, —			
For labor (pay roll)	$37,349.07		
" materials	12,864.52		
" repairs of buildings and fences	1,151.97		
" balance new pumping engine	5,097.10		
		$56,462.66	
For expenses, —			
For salaries		8,541.63	
" office expenses		1,957.51	
" taxes on real estate		878.11	
" insurance		100.00	
To amount paid Massachusetts Horticultural Society for its proportion of sales		3,734.62	
" amount paid Massachusetts Hospital Life insurance Company for Permanent Fund		5,705.83	
" graves purchased	$50.00		
" receiving tomb drawbacks	31.00		
		81.00	
" amount paid for Bird Lot		2,001.85	
			$79,463.21
Balance in hands of Treasurer			33,192.82
			$112,656.03

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE REPAIR FUND.

Balance in hands of Treasurer, as per last report		$32,747.68
He has received, —		
From notes receivable	$11,005.00	
" endowments	20,599.50	
" income of investments	37,707.69	
		69,312.19
		$102,059.87
He has paid for said account, —		
For care and improvement of lots	$22,380.49	
" notes receivable	79,000.00	
		$101,380.49
Balance in hands of Treasurer		679.38
		$102,059.87

REPAIR FUND.

PROPERTY.

Endowments for perpetual repair of lots, as per last report,	$735,757.68	
Additions during the year	35,926.70	
		$771,684.38
Invested as follows, —		
Notes receivable, secured by mortgage	$753,195.00	
$10,000 Boston City Bonds	9,710.00	
30 shares Atlas National Bank, cost	2,970.00	
20 shares Atlantic National Bank, cost	2,700.00	
20 shares Shawmut National Bank, cost	2,430.00	
		$771,005.00
Cash in hands of Treasurer		679.38
		$771,684.38

GENERAL FUND.

CASH ASSETS.

Cash in hands of Treasurer		$33,192.82
Notes receivable		60,000.00
Bills for labor and material uncollected	$8,998.30	
Less due sundry parties for labor and material	1,809.12	
		7,189.18
		$100,382.00

PERMANENT FUND.

Deposited with Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, as per last report		$320,420.80
Deposited in December, 1893	$5,705.83	
Interest	4,754.13	
		10,459.96
		$330,880.76

THE OTHER PROPERTY OF THE CORPORATION

Consists of nearly 136 acres of cemetery grounds, with avenues and paths, water works for the supply of fountains and watering purposes, and underground pipes and drains, chapel and statuary, observatory, receiving tomb, gateway and other structures, reception house, and 5,620 feet of land on Mount Auburn Street, Superintendent's house, greenhouses, and 61,170 feet between Brattle and Mount Auburn streets, the Coolidge Lot on Grove Street, containing about six acres, the Bird Lot on Sawin and Cottage streets, containing about 44,000 square feet, and the Stone meadow on the east side of Coolidge Avenue, containing about five acres, on which are located the stables and other buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. MACKINTOSH, *Treasurer.*

BOSTON, Jan. 1, 1894.

This certifies that we have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and have found them correctly kept and properly balanced, with satisfactory vouchers for all payments.

The certificates of stock and other evidences of property were found in accordance with the statements of his accounts.

In the general account there appears to be a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of $33,192.82, and in the fund for repairs, $679.38.

T. QUINCY BROWNE,
HENRY S. SHAW, } *Committee on Finance.*

JANUARY 18, 1894.

PERPETUAL REPAIR OF LOTS.

It is provided by Art. VIII. of the By-laws as follows:—

Donation in Trust. — "The Trustees may receive in trust from a proprietor any sum of money, the *income* of which shall be appropriated to the repair of his lot, according to the terms of trust expressed in the form provided."

Perpetual Repair, with Guaranty. — "The Trustees may also guarantee the *perpetual* repair of lots, upon the payment of such a sum as the Committee on Lots shall deem sufficient for that purpose, a form for which is also provided."

"All such sums shall collectively constitute a separate fund, called the 'Repair Fund,' and shall be invested in the public debt of the United States, or in that of the State of Massachusetts, or in the debt of any of the counties, cities, or towns of this State, or in mortgages of real estate in any city in Massachusetts, or in first-mortgage bonds, or debenture bonds of railroads not mortgaged, of any railroad company incorporated under the authority of this Commonwealth, which has earned and paid regular dividends for the two years next preceding such investment."

"Each lot in relation to which such a contract shall have been made shall be credited, in a book kept for the purpose, with the principal sum paid on account of said lot; and at the close of each year a ratable proportion of the net income of the whole Repair Fund shall be carried to its credit, in conformity with the terms of said contracts."

Reconveyance in Trust. — "A Proprietor who shall have contracted with the corporation for the care and preservation of his lot forever, desiring to place the same in perpetual trust, for the purpose of restricting the right of burial, or for any other legitimate object, may, with the consent of Committee on Lots, reconvey such lot

to the corporation, to hold the same forever, for the uses and trusts expressed in his deed of reconveyance; reserving to himself, and to such as may be beneficiaries thereunder, the right of admission, and such supervision as may not be inconsistent with the rights which have vested in the corporation."

Annexed to the GUARANTEE CONTRACT is a report by the Superintendent, with drawings, describing in detail the condition of the lot and structures thereon. The amount deposited is an *insurance* FOREVER that the lot and its belongings shall always be maintained in the condition shown in the report, which is made the basis of the contract.

To cover all the contingencies of the near and remote future, a sum is fixed, the income of which will be sufficient to provide for the care of the grass, including resodding, and the repair and renewal of such tomb, curb, monument or headstone, as shown in Superintendent's report.

If any monument or headstones are added subsequent to the contract, they can be covered in the same manner.

After a contract for perpetual repair with *guaranty*, has been made, the lot may be reconveyed to the corporation *in trust* naming in the deed the persons thereafter to be interred. The *title* to the lot being thus vested in the corporation, a *perfect security* is given that the wishes of the proprietor will be carried out.

Under the contract for DONATION IN TRUST, the *income* of any sum deposited is applied to the care and preservation of the lot.

The necessary forms for provision by will for the above are given herewith.

J. W. LOVERING,
Superintendent.

CEMETERY OF MOUNT AUBURN.

FORM FOR CLAUSE IN WILL TO BEQUEATH MONEY FOR "PERPETUAL REPAIR, WITH GUARANTY," OF LOT.

I hereby direct my executors to pay to the Proprteors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn such sum of money as may be found necessary to obtain from said corporation a contract for the Perpetual Repair, with Guaranty, of my Lot, No. on the way called in said Cemetery.

FORM FOR CLAUSE IN WILL DIRECTING "RECONVEYANCE OF LOT TO CORPORATION IN TRUST."

[*Reconveyance is only accepted after a Contract for Perpetual Repair, with Guaranty, has been made.*]

I hereby authorize and empower my executors to reconvey my Lot No. , in trust, to the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn, in consideration of the Contract of Perpetual Repair, with Guaranty, for the purpose of securing it as a burial place for myself and the following persons:

and no other interments to be allowed.

PRICES FOR THE CARE OF LOTS.

ADOPTED BY THE TRUSTEES.

FOR 1894.

SIZE OF LOT.	CARE.	TOP-DRESSING.
100 square feet.	$1.50	$1.00
200 " "	2.00	1.50
300 " "	3.00	2.00
400 " "	4.00	2.50
500 " "	5.00	3.00
600 " "	6.00	3.50
700 " "	7.00	4.00
800 " "	8.00	4.50

Larger lots at special rates.

Lots containing fractional parts of 100 feet will be charged the rate of the next larger size, when that fraction exceeds 50 feet.

Proprietors are requested to mail their orders to Superintendent, Cambridge.

Estimates for grading and sodding, and repairs on lots, including cleaning monuments and headstones, will be furnished to proprietors on application, personally, or by letter, at Superintendent's office, Cambridge. Iron fences and granite copings removed without expense to proprietors, who will be credited with any excess over cost of removal.

Single-chamber tombs, with entrance above ground, will be removed, the lot regraded, and the necessary reinterments made, without charge, except for boxes, brick graves, resodding, or corner posts, when required.

Orders for foundations for Monuments and Headstones should specify, either by diagram or accurate description, the exact location in the lot which is desired, and should be given ***at least two weeks before wanted.***

Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn.

Office of the Corporation, 5 Tremont Street.

BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1893.

The Annual Meeting of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn will be held at the Horticultural Hall, Tremont Street, Boston, on Monday, Feb. 5, at 3 1-2 o'clock P. M., to hear the Annual Reports, choose Trustees, and transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

L. G. FARMER, Secretary.